

Agreement between the Ministry of Attorney General and
the Association of Legal Aid Lawyers (A.L.L.), and Legal Aid BC (LABC)

Highlights of this Agreement:

1. Agreement concludes March 31, 2029.
2. Tariff rates are increasing by 3% per year (beginning April 1, 2025 – April 1, 2028). Effective May 1, 2026, the increased rates will apply to all hourly and block fees with a service date on or after April 1, 2025. Please refer to the [LABC Tariffs](#) to view the most up-to-date rates and policies.
3. [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Articling Student Program

There is new funding for a small number of private bar lawyers, to receive \$40,000 to hire an articling student.

The selection of the lawyers who are eligible to receive the funds is done in cooperation with A.L.L.

Bursary Funds

LABC is allocating \$110,000 (rising to \$150,000 in the final year) to the bursary program which funds continuing professional development courses for private bar lawyers.

Family Law Software Subsidies

LABC will reimburse some private bar lawyers who provide family law services to cover the costs of subscriptions for necessary family law practice software.

A.L.L. is responsible for program delivery and must provide annual reports to LABC.

Parental Leave

LABC will transfer funds to A.L.L. for the purpose of establishing and administering a parental leave program. LABC's responsibility is limited to the payment of funds.

A.L.L. is responsible for program delivery and must provide annual reports to LABC.

Administrative Support

A.L.L. will receive annual payments to support its participation in the negotiations and some overhead costs.

If you have any questions related to the A.L.L. programs, please contact Ashifa Dhanani, A.L.L. Executive Director at adhanani@bclegalaidlawyers.ca.